

Pioneers in Astronomy and Space Exploration (DB077541)

Edited by Michael Anderson. Read by Kerry Dukin. Reading time: 2 hours, 19 minutes

Profiles the lives of thirty-seven pioneers of astronomy and space exploration, from the ancient Greek mathematician and astronomer Eudoxus of Cnidus to astronaut Sally Ride, the first American woman in space. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2013. [Download Pioneers in Astronomy and Space Exploration.](#)

Steve Jobs: The Man who Thought Different: a Biography (DB076396)

Blumenthal, Karen. Read by Carol Dines. Reading time: 6 hours, 55 minutes

Recounts the life and career of the late founder of Apple, Steve Jobs (1955-2011). Covers his adoption and childhood, his friendship with Steve Wozniak, and his dynamic relationship with Apple--as chairman, head of the Mac department, advisor, and CEO--until his death. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2012. [Download Steve Jobs: The Man who Thought Different.](#)

The Gardener (DB075622)

Bodeen, S. A. Read by Luke Daniels. Reading time: 5 hours, 42 minutes

High school sophomore Mason finds a beautiful but catatonic girl in the nursing home where his mother works. The discovery leads him to revelations about a series of disturbing human experiments by local scientific company TroDyn--experiments connected to his own life. For grades 6-9 and older readers. Commercial audiobook. 2010. [Download The Gardener.](#)

Killer of Enemies (DB078176)

Bruchac, Joseph. Read by Mary Kane. Reading time: 8 hours, 48 minutes

In a distant future, Native American girl Lozen hunts genetically modified monsters for the tyrants who are holding her mother, sister Ana, and little brother Victor hostage. With each kill Lozen's unique powers grow. Violence and some strong language. For senior high and older readers. 2013. [Download Killer of Enemies.](#)

The House of the Scorpion (DB055927)

Farmer, Nancy. Read by Suzanne Toren. Reading time: 11 hours, 46 minutes

In a future where humans despise clones, Matt has special privileges as the young clone of El Patrón--the 140-year-old leader of a corrupt drug empire. When Matt gets a glimpse of his fate, he rebels. Some violence and some strong language. For

junior and senior high readers. National Book Award. 2002. [Download The House of the Scorpion.](#)

The Science of Philip Pullman's His Dark Materials (DB061514)

Gribbin, Mary. Read by Suzanne Toren. Reading time: 3 hours, 46 minutes

Relates the mystery and magic in Pullman's trilogy, beginning with The Golden Compass (BR 13276), to real-world scientific concepts. Covers topics from cosmology to string theory to explain such objects as Will's subtle knife and Mary Malone's amber spyglass. For junior and senior high readers. 2003. [Download The Science of Philip Pullman's His Dark Materials.](#)

Cinder: the Lunar Chronicles #1 (DB075631)

Meyer, Marissa. Read by Mare Trevathan. Reading time: 9 hours, 20 minutes.

Cinder, a teen cyborg and the best mechanic in New Beijing, labors to support her stepmother--and owner--Adri and Adri's two daughters. But after Cinder's only human friend, her stepsister Peony, is infected with the plague letumosis, Adri volunteers Cinder's body for plague research. For senior high and older readers. 2012. [Download Cinder.](#)

Written in Bone: Buried Lives of Jamestown and Colonial Maryland (DB068720)

Walker, Sally M. Read by Madelyn Buzzard. Reading time: 4 hours, 35 minutes

Discusses forensic scientists' examination of Chesapeake Bay colonial-era skeletons to determine gender, ethnicity, age, social status, and cause of death. Explains the procedures used to identify a teenage boy, a ship's captain, a wealthy family, an African slave girl, and an indentured servant. For grades 6-9 and older readers. 2009. [Download Written in Bone.](#)

Central Park in the Dark: More Mysteries of Urban Wildlife (DB069617)

Winn, Marie. Read by Mark Ashby. Reading time: 9 hours 50 minutes

A journalist's account of nighttime natural-history explorations in the thirty-seven-acre wilderness area of New York City's Central Park. Chronicles eleven years spent observing nature, insects, and animals. Describes the park's creatures and the people watching them. For junior and senior high readers. 2008. [Download Central Park in the Dark.](#)

For the Good of Mankind? The Shameful History of Human Medical Experimentation (DB077675)

Wittenstein, Vicki O. Read by Patrick Downer. Reading time: 3 hours, 45 minutes.

Explores ethical issues raised by the use of human subjects in medical experiments, such as those conducted on New York orphans in the 1900s. Draws on personal accounts, newspaper articles, professional journals, and other sources. Includes discussion questions. Violence. For junior and senior high and older readers. 2013.

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